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The following Address was lately published in Philadelphia, as an Addition to "COMMON SENSE."

To the Representatives of the religious Society of the People called Quakers, or to so many of them as were concerned in publishing a late piece, entitled,

"The ANCIENT TESTIMONY and PRINCIPLES of the people called QUAKERS renewed, with respect to the KING and GOVERNMENT, and touching the COMMOTION now prevailing in these and other parts of AMERICA, addressed to the PEOPLE in GENERAL."

THE writer of this, is one of those few who never disbonours religion either by ridiculing or cavelling at any denomination whatsoever. To God and not to man, are all men accountable on the score of religion. Wherefore, this epistle is not so properly addressed to you as a religious, but as a political body, dabbling in matters, which the professed quietude of your principles instruct you not to meddle with.

As you have, without a proper authority for so doing, put yourselves in the place of the whole body of the Quakers, so, the writer of this, in order to be on an equal rank with yourselves, is under the necessity of putting himself in the place of all those who approve the very writings and principles against which, your testimony is directed: And he hath chosen this singular situation, in order, that you might discover in him that resumption of character which you cannot see in yourselves. For neither he nor you can have any claim or title to *political representation*.

When men have departed from the right way, it is no wonder they stumble and fall. And it is evident from the manner in which ye have managed your testimony, that politics (as a religious body of men,) is not your proper walk; for however well adapted it might appear to you, it is, nevertheless, a jumble of good and bad put unwisely together, and the conclusion drawn therefrom, both unnatural and unjust.

The two first pages, (and the whole doth not make four) we give you credit for, and expect the same civility from you, because the love and desire of peace is not confined to Quakerism, it is the general, as well as the religious wish of all denominations of men. And on this ground, as men labouring to establish an Independant Constitution of our own, do we exceed all others in our hope, end, and aim: (1) *Our plan is peace for ever.* We are tired of contention with Britain, and can see no real end to it but in a final separation. We act consistently, because for the sake of inducing an endless and uninterrupted peace, we bear the evils and burdens of the present day. We are endeavouring, and will steadily continue to endeavour, to separate and dissolve a connection which hath already filled our land with blood, and which, while the name of it remains, will be the fatal cause of future mischiefs to both countries.

We fight neither for revenge nor conquest; neither from pride nor passion; we are not insulting the world with our fleets and armies, (2) nor ravaging the globe for plunder. (4) Beneath the shade of our own vines are we attacked; in our own houses, and on our own lands, is the violence committed against us. (4) We view our enemies in the character of highwaymen and housebreakers, and having no defence for ourselves in the civil law, are obliged to punish them by the military power, and apply the sword in the very case where you have, before now, applied the halter.---Perhaps we feel for the ruined and insulted sufferers in all and every part of the continent, with a degree of tenderness which hath not yet made its way into some of your bosoms. (5) But be ye sure that ye mistake not the cause and ground of your testimony. Call not coldness of soul, religion; nor put the *Dove* in the place of the *Christian*.

O ye partial ministers of your own acknowledged principles! If the bearing arms be sinful, the first going to war must be more so, by all the difference between wilful attack and unavoidable defence. (3) Wherefore, if ye really preach from conscience, and mean not to make a political hobby-horse of your religion, convince the world thereof, by proclaiming your doctrine to our enemies, *for they likewise bear arms.* (4) Give us proof of your sincerity by publishing it at St James's, to the commanders in chief of the fleet, to the Admirals and Captains who are piratically ravaging our coasts, and to all the murdering miscreants who are acting in authority under HIM whom ye profess to serve. Had ye the honest soul of * *Barclay* ye would preach repentance to your King; ye would tell the cruel wretch his sins, and warn him of eternal ruin. (6) Ye would not spend your partial invectives against the injured and insulted only, but, like faithful ministers, would cry aloud and *spare none.* Say not that ye are persecuted, neither endeavour to make us the authors of that reproach, which ye are bringing upon yourselves; for we testify unto all men, that we do not complain against you because ye are *Quakers*, but because ye pretend to *be* and are NOT Quakers.

Also it seems by the particular tendency of some part of your testimony, and other parts of your conduct, as if all sin was reduced to, and comprehended in, *the act of bearing arms*, (3) and that by the *people only.* (3) Ye appear to us, to have mistaken party for conscience; because the general tenor of your actions wants uniformity: And it is exceedingly difficult to us to give credit to many of your pretended scruples; because we see them made by the same men, who, in the very instant that they are exclaiming against the mammon of this world, are nevertheless, hunting after it with a step as steady as time, and an appetite as keen as death.

The quotation which ye have made from Proverbs, in the third page of your testimony, that, "when a man's ways please the Lord, he maketh even his enemies to be at peace with him," is very unwisely chosen on your part; it amounts to a proof, that the King's ways (whom ye are so desirous of supporting) do not please the Lord, otherwise his reign would be in peace. (4)

I now proceed to the latter part of your testimony, and that, for which all the foregoing seems only an introduction, viz.

"It hath ever been our judgment and principle, since we were called to profess the light of "Christ Jesus, manifested in our consciences unto this day, that the setting up and putting down "kings and governments, is God's peculiar prerogative; for causes best known to himself: "And that it is not our business, to have any "hand or contrivance therein; nor to be busy "bodies above our station, much less to plot and "contrive the ruin, or overturn of any of them, "but to pray for the King, and safety of our nation, and good of all men: That we may "live a peaceable and quiet life, in all godliness "and honesty, *under the government which God "is pleased to set over us.*"--- If these are *really* your principles, why on ye not abide by them? Why do ye not leave that which ye call God's work, to be managed by himself? These very principles instruct you to wait with patience and humility, for the event of all public measures, and to receive *that event* as the divine will towards you. *Wherefore*, what occasion is there for your *political testimony* if you fully believe what it contains? And the very publishing proves, that either ye do not believe what ye profess, or have not virtue enough to practise what ye believe.

The principles of Quakerism have a direct tendency to make a man the quiet and inoffensive subject of any, and every government *which is set over him.* And if the setting up and putting down of kings and governments is God's peculiar prerogative, he must certainly still be robbed thereof by us; wherefore, the principle itself leads you to approve of every thing which ever happened, or may happen to Kings as being his work. OLIVER CROMWELL thanks you. CHARLES, then, died not by the hands of man; and all and the present proud imitators of him, come to the same untimely end, the writers and publishers of the testimony, are bound, by the doctrine it contains, to applaud the act. Kings are not taken away by miracles, neither are they got in governments brought about by any other means than such as are common and human; and such as we are now using. Even the dispersion of the Jews, though foretold by our Saviour, was effected by arms. Wherefore as ye refuse to be the means on one side, ye ought not to be meddlers on the other; but to wait the issue in silence; and unless ye can produce divine authority, to prove, that the Almighty, who hath created and placed this *new* world, at the greatest distance it could possibly stand, east and west, from every part of the old, doth, nevertheless, disapprove of its being independent of the corrupt and abandoned court of Britain (unless I say, ye can shew this, how can ye on the ground of your principles, justify the exciting and stirring up of the people "firmly to unite in the *abhorrence* of all such *writings* "and *measures* as evidence a design to "break off the happy connection we have hitherto enjoyed, with the kingdom of Great Britain, and our just and necessary subordination "to the King, and those who are lawfully placed "in authority under him." What shall we say here! the man, who in the very paragraph before, have quietly and passively resigned up the ordering, altering, and disposal of kings and governments, into the hands of God, are now, recalling their principles, and rushing in for a share of the business. Is it possible, that the conclusion, which is here justly quoted, can any ways follow from the doctrine laid down? The inconsistency is too glaring not to be seen; the absurdity too great not to be laughed at; and such as could only have been made by those, whose understandings were darkened by the narrow and crabby spirit of a disputing political party; for ye are not to be considered as the whole body of the Quakers, but only as a sectional and fractional part thereof.

He ends the examination of your testimony; (which I call upon no man to abhor, as ye have done, but only to read and judge of fairly;) to which I subjoin the following remark; "That the setting up and putting down of kings," most certainly mean, the making him a King, who is yet not so, and the making him no King who is already one. And pray what hath this to do in the present case? We neither mean to *set up* nor to *put down*, neither to *make* nor to *unmake*, but to have nothing to *do* with them. Wherefore, your testimony in whatever light it is viewed, serves only to dishonour your judgment, and for many other reasons had better have been let alone than published.

First, Because it tends to the decrease and reproach of all religion whatever, and is of the ut-

* "Thou hast tasted of prosperity and adversity; thou knowest what it is to be banished thy native country, to be overruled as well as to rule, and set upon the throne, and being *oppressed* thou best reason to know how *hateful* the *oppressor* is both to God and man. If after all these warnings, and advertisements, thou dost not turn unto the Lord with all thy heart, but forget him who remembered thee in thy distress, and give up thyself to follow lust and vanity, surely great will be thy condemnation. Against which snare, as well as the temptation of those who may or do feed thee, and prompt thee to evil, the most excellent and prevalent remedy will be, to apply thyself to that light of Christ which shineth in thy conscience, and which neither can, nor will flatter thee, nor admit thee to be at ease in thy sins."

Barclay's Address to Charles II.

(11) See Kings Speech, pa. 867 (12) See Independency, pa. 971. (13) See Treaty with France, pa. 1018.
(14) See declaratory Act, pa. 524. (15) G. Britain. ✕ See index, under Canada. & See index, under South Carolina, efforts, there.

q See index, under Congress Continental (1) See American rights, pa. 1089, 1228. ✕ See index, under Army of the United Colonies. q See list of Grievances, pa. 971. q See index, under Groom British (2) See Fight at Bunker Hill pa. 754, & at Lexington, page 728, & See index, under Five (3) See the Choice pa. 869. (4) See the Form, pa. 774, & Character, pa. 1077. See index, under Washington. Vol. 2. (5) See pa. 905. (6) See index, under Town Council, appointed to the Sword, Letters, assembly, Governor, Congress Continental, Provincial, Petitions, resolves, &c.

most danger to society to make it a party in political disputes.

Secondly, Because it exhibits a body of men, the numbers of whom disavow the publishing political testimonies, as being concerned therein and appendal prayers thereof.

Thirdly, Because it hath a tendency to undo that continental harmony and friendship which yourselves by your late liberal and charitable donations hath lent a hand to establish; and the preservation of which, is of the utmost consequence to us all. ♢

And here without anger or resentment I bid you farewell. Sincerely wishing, that as men and christians, ye may always fully and uninterruptedly enjoy every civil and religious right; and be, in your turn, the means of securing it to others; but that the example which ye have unwisely set, of mingling religion with politics, may be disavowed and reprobated by every inhabitant of AMERICA.

MASSACHUSETTS-BAY.
In COUNCIL, March 18, 1776.

ORDERED, That Thomas Cushing and Moses Gill, Esqrs; with such as the honourable House shall join, be a Committee to wait on his Excellency GEORGE WASHINGTON, Esq; and present him with the following ADDRESS.

Sent down for Concurrence.
JOHN LOWELL, Dep. Sec. pro Tem.

In the House of REPRESENTATIVES, March 29, 1776.
READ and concurred, and Mr. Sullivan, Col. Orne and Major Mowlay are joined.
WILLIAM COOPER, Speaker, pro. Tem.

To his EXCELLENCY
GEORGE WASHINGTON, Esq;
General and Commander in Chief of the Forces of the UNITED AMERICAN COLONIES.

May it please your Excellency.

WHEN the Liberties of America were attacked by the violent hand of oppression,—when troops hostile to the rights of humanity, invaded this Colony, fixed our capital, and spread havoc and destruction around it,—when our virtuous sons were murdered, and our houses destroyed by the wrought Britain,—the inhabitants of this and other American Colonies, impelled by self preservation and the love of freedom, forgetting their domestic concerns, determined resolutely and unitedly to oppose the sons of tyranny.

Convinced of the vast importance of having a gentleman of great military accomplishments, to discipline, lead and conduct the forces of the Colonies, it gave us the greatest satisfaction to hear that the honorable Congress of the United Colonies, had made choice of a gentleman thus qualified, who, leaving the pleasures of domestic and rural life, was ready to undertake the arduous task. And your nobly declining to accept the pecuniary emoluments annexed to this high office, fully evidenced to us that a warm regard to the sacred rights of humanity, and sincere love to your country, solely influenced you in the acceptance of this important trust.

From your acknowledged abilities as a soldier, and your virtues in public and private life, we had the most pleasing hopes; but the fortitude and equanimity so conspicuous in your conduct; the wisdom of your councils; the mild yet firm government of the army; your attention to the civil constitution of this Colony; the regard you have at all times shewn for the lives and health of those under your command; the fatigues you have with chearfulness endured; the regard you have shewn for the preservation of our metropolis; and the great address with which our military operations have been conducted, have exceeded our most sanguine expectations, and demand the warmest returns of gratitude.

The supreme ruler of the universe having smiled on our arms, and crowned your labours with remarkable success; we are now, without that effusion of blood we so much wished to avoid, again in the quiet possession of our capital; the wisdom and prudence of your movements which have obliged the enemy to abandon our metropolis, will ever be remembered by the inhabitants of this colony.

May you still go on approved by Heaven, revered by all good men, and dreaded by those tyrants who claim their fellow men as their property. May the United Colonies be defended from slavery by your victorious arms. May they still see their enemies flying before you: And (the deliverance of your country being effected) may you, in retirement, enjoy that peace and satisfaction of mind, which always attends the good and great: And may future generations in the peaceable enjoyment of that freedom, the exercise of which your sword shall have established, raise the richest and most lasting monuments to the name of WASHINGTON. A true Copy. Attest. John Lowell, Dep. Sec. pro tem.

His Excellency's ANSWER.

To the honourable COUNCIL and REPRESENTATIVES of the Province of Massachusetts-Bay.

GENTLEMEN,

I RETURN you my most sincere and hearty Thanks, for your polite Address; and feel myself called upon by every Principle of Gratitude, to acknowledge the Honour you have done me in this Testimonial of your Approbation of my Appointment to the exalted Station I now fill; and what is more pleasing, of my Conduct in discharging its important Duties.

When the Councils of the British Nation had formed a Plan for enslaving America, and depriving her Sons of their most sacred and invaluable Privileges, against the clearest Remonstrances of the Constitution—of Justice—and of Truth—and to execute their Schemes, Counsel appealed to the Sword, I deemed it my Duty to take a Part in the Council, and were especially when called thereto by the unsolicited Suffrages of the Representatives of a free People; wishing for no other Reward, than that arising from a conscientious Discharge of the important Trust, and that my Services might contribute to the Establishment of Freedom and Peace, upon a permanent Foundation; and merit the Applause of my Countrymen, and every virtuous Citizen.

Your Professions of my Attention to the Civil Constitution of this Colony, whilst acting in the Line of my Department, also demand my grateful Thanks. A Regard to every Provincial Institution, where not incompatible with the common Interest, I hold a Principle of Duty, and of Policy, and shall ever form a Part of my Conduct. Had I not learned this before, the happy Experience of the Advantages resulting from a friendly Intercourse with your honourable Body—their ready and willing Concurrence to aid and counsel whenever called upon in Cases of Difficulty and Emergency, would have taught me the useful Lesson.

That the Metropolis of your Colony is now relieved from the cruel and oppressive Invasion of those who were sent to erect the Standard of arbitrary Domination, and to trample on the Rights of Humanity and is again open and free for its rightful Possessors, must give Pleasure to every virtuous and sympathetic heart—and being effected without the Bloodshed of our Soldiers, and Fellow citizens, must be ascribed to the Interposition of that Providence, which has manifestly appeared in our Behalf thro' the whole of this important Struggle, as well as to the Measures pursued for shortening about the happy Event.

May that Being who is powerful to save, and in whose Hands is the Fate of Nations, look down with an Eye of tender Pity, and Compassion upon the whole of the United Colonies.—May he continue to smile upon their Councils and Arms, and crown them with Success, whilst employed in the Cause of Virtue and of Mankind.—May this distressed Colony and its Capital, and every Part of this wide, extended Continent, thro' his divine Favour, be restored to more than their former Luster and once happy State, and have Peace, Liberty and Safety secured upon a solid, permanent, and lasting Foundation.

GEORGE WASHINGTON.

NEW-YORK. March 20.

Ship Duchess of Gordon,
North River, March 16, 1776.

"SIR,

"I desire you will lay before the Gentlemen of the Corporation the enclosed Exhortation to the Inhabitants of this Colony, and that you will communicate the same to the Public, and also have it inserted in the several Gazettes published in the city of New York. I am, Sir, Your most obedient Servant,

WM. TRYON.

David Matthews, Esq; Mayor of the City of New-York.

Ship Duchess of Gordon, North-River,
New-York, March 16, 1776.

To the Inhabitants of the Colony of New-York.

"Notwithstanding prejudice, delusion and faction, have hitherto among too many usurped the seat of reason and reflection, and every exhortation I have offered to the inhabitants of this province (in whose affection I have been taught to be happy) has been reviled and treated with neglect, yet as my wishes for their prosperity, and feelings for their calamities, cannot easily be suppressed even towards the disobedient, I cannot but repeat my endeavours to recall those who have revolted from their allegiance to a sense of their duty, and to comfort those who have been the objects of oppression, for their zealous attachment to our happy constitution; and their steady obedience to the sovereignty of the British empire.

"It is in the clemency and authority of Great-Britain only, under God, that we can look for happiness, peace, and protection, and I have it in command from the King to encourage by every means in my power, the expectations in his Majesty's well disposed subjects in this government of every assistance and protection the force of Great-Britain will enable his Majesty to afford them, and to cherish every appearance of a disposition on their part to withstand the tyranny and misrule which accompany the acts of those who have but too will hitherto succeeded in the total subversion of legal government. Under such assurances therefore, I exhort all the friends to good order, and our justly admired constitution, still to preserve that constancy of mind, which is inherent in the breasts of virtuous and loyal citizens, and I trust a very few months will relieve them from their present oppressed, injured and insulted condition. (8)

"England, Scotland, Ireland, and Wales have united to place their whole strength, power and confidence in his Maj'ty's hands. The numerous addresses from all parts of the King's dominions in Europe, speak the loyalty and zeal with which his subjects there engage to support his Majesty in asserting and maintaining the just sovereignty of the British empire over all its members.

"The British State move not by sudden and violent follies, nor wantonly oppresses; she has laxity for her basis, and is distinguished for moderation and forbearance, but when her just indignation is roused, the experience of other nations can justify her weight and power. It cannot be sufficiently lamented, that the conduct of this country has called for so severe a rod, may a timely, and dutiful submission avert its stroke.

"I have the satisfaction to inform you that a door is still open to such honest but deluded people as will avail themselves of the justice and benevolence which the supreme legislature has held out to them of being restored to the King's grace and peace, and that proper steps have been taken for passing a commission for that purpose, under the great seal of Great-Britain in conformity to a provision in a late act of Parliament, the Commissioners thereby to be appointed, having also power to enquire into the state and condition of the colonies for effecting a restoration of the public tranquility. See pa. 918. WM. TRYON."

PHILADELPHIA, March 23.

A gentleman who came passenger in the Swallow Packet, does assert, from the best authority, that the intention of sending Commissioners here is merely to bribe, corrupt and divide the provinces; that the whole may be the more easily swallowed up and reduced to the most abject state of conquered countries; which idea the present restraining bill must make evident to the meanest capacity: All American property whither ever found being rendered, by the act of Parliament that authorises the crown to send out commissioners—LEGAL PLUNDER, and under the presumption of its being pirated, is by the proclamation of the best of Princes, bearing date, St. James's, Dec. 27, 1775, apportioned out in shares among the royal pirates. That the court of France have generously interfered, through the court of Sweeden, and thereby prevented the embarkation of the Russians, which has reduced our humane prince to the necessity of sending his hungry, though confidential Hanoverians to take charge of our garrisons of Gibraltar and Minorca, in order the better to enable him to carry on his mild schemes of cutting the throats of his American subjects, because they have the presumption to look upon and hold the honest earnings of their industry to be their own property. (8)

From the same authority we are likewise informed, that administration is renewing their application to Russia, and that France is extremely anxious to know what part America intends to act in the present trying conjuncture (8) Her great preparations by land and sea have special reference to the present disputes between Britain and America, and it is said by persons of undoubted intelligence, that the moment America declares off from Great-Britain, France will declare in her favour.—How mad must America be if she hesitates and defers this declaration till France gets disengaged, and leaves Britain to drive a bargain with Russia at her pleasure! To depend on any terms that are to be offered us by the Commissioners, said to be coming over to treat with us, is perfectly ridiculous; since by the tenor of the act enabling the British King to confirm them, they are only appointed to receive submissions, grant pardons, and open trade to such places or provinces as will acknowledge the supremacy of parliament. It is said, that when Lord Howe was acquainted with the terms the ministry intended to charge him with, he declined the service, unless he might carry such terms as he conceived the Americans might reasonably be expected to be pleased with.

It is said, that 6,000 Hessians are to be expended, and the utmost efforts are used to recruit in G. B. and Ireland. The interested nobility and gentry add half a guinea a head to increase the royal bounty for recruits, notwithstanding all which, the business goes on very heavily; which was expressly acknowledged by Lord Barrington in parliament.

As a certain gentleman is said (by the tories in New-York) to have informed them, that the Commissioners coming over were vested with "unlimited powers;" we are well informed it was so said, but by the gentleman explained to mean, that they had unlimited powers to draw upon the treasury for what sums they wanted for the purposes above declared.

Notwithstanding the various reports of the fate of Col. ALLEN, who was taken and sent to England in irons by General Prescott, we are assured by a Gentleman, now in this city, that he saw him in England, confined in a loathsome jail, and suffering under a heavy load of irons. How different the situation of ALLEN and Prescott;—the First, taken fighting for Life, Liberty and Property, is treated as a villain; while the other, taken fighting to support the cruel edicts of a tyrannical ministry, whose aim is to rob and enslave, is lodged at a first rate tavern in this city, and fed with the best the markets afford.—Oh! George! who is the savage?—After this, can any man blame the Americans, should they retaliate?—

A correspondent upon hearing that the real errand of the Commissioners coming from England was to grant PARDONS, from the King, asked, "Whether it should be featherable for a man to be detected with one of them in his pocket."

Extract of a letter from Charlestown, South-Carolina, dated February 7. 1776.

"The troubles in the back parts are entirely subsided. Their ringleaders, with about one hundred and thirty others, were taken. All to about twenty have been dismissed, and sent home to their own houses, being convinced of their mistake, and well satisfied with the treatment they received when taken. They had been persuaded to take up arms to preserve their lives and properties, which they heard had been sold to the Indians, who were to butcher them all on a fixed day, when the Liberty People (as they call them) were to go into forts, and leave them open and defenceless to the enemy, to be destroyed entirely. Some villains swore, before a magistrate, that powder had been sent to the Indians for this diabolical purpose. Upon this they collected a second and third time, that were attacked by Colonels Richardson and Thompson at break of day, after a forced march of twenty-five miles in the night, surprised and taken.

"Upon the return of the Georgia Delegates, the Sons of Liberty assembled, unrigged all the vessels that were ready to sail for England, set up a liberty pole, seized upon the persons of the Governor and Council, and sent to us for two hundred men. Some Twits there are striving to bring on an Indian war, and recruiting for government in the back parts of that province. See index, under Georgia.

"The town is surrounded with seven batteries, two on James island, viz. Fort Johnston of twenty, and a new one of eleven guns, and two on Sullivan's Island, one of twelve and another of four guns, so that we can rake the whole harbour from the bar. But I suppose this is nothing to what your Council of Safety has done for the defence of Philadelphia, which is so easily defended on account of the length of your river. You must be impregnable by this time. You are happy my dear friend, in not being exposed to the more than diabolical machinations of government tools, and the dread of insurrections from your slaves. Hell would be ashamed of such mean and more than brutal attempts to destroy us, and the Devil would blush at the impudence of the man who would have the effrontery to recommend a reunion with so barbarous a government."

To be sold, a valuable & commodious farm, suitable for a trader, tradesman or innholder, situated in the English range, and town of Londonderry, and has all convenience necessary. For further information, apply to ROBERT SMITH, on the premises.

DESERTED from Captain Edward Seagrave's company, in Col. Joseph Read's regiment, Elijah Estes, about 23 years old, dark complexion, black hair, pretends to be a cooper, about five feet nine or ten inches high, came from Sharburne, supposed to be concealed by some evil-minded people. Also, George Peters, a native of the Jerseys, about five feet three or four inches high, black great hair, of a pale-fearful countenance, a shoemaker by trade, has received advance pay of two captains. Whoever will take up said deserters, and bring them to their company, shall have FIVE DOLLARS reward for each, and all necessary charges paid by me,

EDWARD SEAGRAVE, captain

(7) See index, under Town of Boston. (8) See index, under Towns, County, Assemblies, Representation, Congress Continental, & Provincial, riots, resolves, rising of the Country, & Army of the United Colonies.

Extract of a letter from Brigadier General James Moore, in the Continental service, to the Honourable Cornelius Harnett, Esq; President of the Provincial Council, North-Carolina, dated Wilmington, March 2d, 1776.

THE 25th of February, by four o'clock, we arrived at Dollison's landing, but as we could not possibly march that night, for want of horses for the artillery, I despatched an express to Moore's creek bridge, to learn the situation of affairs there, and was informed that Col. Lillington, who had the day before taken his stand at the bridge, was that afternoon reinforced by Col. Caswell, and that they had raised a small breast-work, and destroyed a part of the bridge. The next morning, the twenty-seventh, at break of day, an alarm gun was fired, immediately after which, scarce allowing our people a moment to prepare, the Tory army with Capt. M'Cloud at their head, made their attack on Col. Caswell and Col. Lillington, & finding a small intrenchment next to the bridge on our side empty, concluded that our people had abandoned their post, and in the most furious manner advanced within thirty paces of our breast work and artillery, where they met a very proper reception. Capt. McCloud and Captain Campell fell within a few paces of the breast-work; the former of whom received upwards of twenty balls through his body; and in a very few minutes their whole army was put to the flight, and most shamefully abandoned their General, who was next day taken prisoner. The loss of the enemy in this action, from the best accounts we have been able to learn, is about 30 killed and wounded; but as numbers of them must have fallen into the creek, besides many more that were carried off, I suppose their loss may be estimated at about 50. We had only two wounded, one of which died this day. Thus, Sir, I have the pleasure to inform you, has most happily terminated a very dangerous insurrection, and will I trust put an effectual check to toryism in this country. From the best information I was able to procure, the Tory army amounted to about 14 or 1500.

The situation of affairs in this place made it necessary for me to return here, which, at the special request of the Committee, I did last night with my regiment. The large requisitions made by the men of war, who now lie just below the town, gave the inhabitants reason to apprehend every thing that could be suffered from their disappointed vengeance; however the committee have most spiritedly determined rather to suffer the most of human evils than afford them any supplies at all, and I have no doubt we shall be able to prevent them from doing any great injury.

WILLIAMSBURG, (Virginia) March 1.

At this time, the salt-petre works at Warwick, Petersburg, and Blandford, produce full 200 weight per day; and two other works, now erecting on James River, will increase the quantity to upwards of 350 weight per day. A powder mill is also erecting, which, when compleated, will amply supply this colony with that necessary article.

NEW-YORK, March 28.

By the Albany post we are informed that letters had just come to hand in Albany, informing that General Carleton one morning had put seventeen of his men for refusing to fight: The few forces under his command, as well as the people in general in Quebec, were much divided: That our forces amounted to 3700 men, and many on their march, which, when joined, would augment our army to upwards of 6000; and that our troops were to storm the city the 10th of March. (1)

CAMBRIDGE, April 4.

Since our last the Select-Men of the town of Boston waited upon his Excellency General WASHINGTON with the following Address, viz.

May it please your Excellency,

THE Select-Men of Boston, in behalf of themselves and fellow citizens, with all grateful respect, congratulate your Excellency on the success of your military operations in the recovery of this town from an enemy, collected from the once refractory Britons, who, in this instance, are characterized by malice and fraud, rapine and plunder, in every trace left behind them.

Happy are we, that this acquisition has been made with so little effusion of human blood, which, next to the divine favour, permit us to ascribe to your Excellency's wisdom, evidenced in every part of the long bosegement. (2) (3)

If it be possible to enhance the noble feelings of that person, who, from the most affluent enjoyments, could throw himself into the hardships of a camp to save his country, uncertain of success, 'tis then possible this victory will heighten your Excellency's happiness, when you consider you have not only saved a large, elegant, and once populous city from total destruction, but relieved the few wretched inhabitants from all the horrors of a besieged town, from the insults and abuses of a disgraced and chagrined army, and restored many inhabitants to their quiet habitations, who had fled for safety to the bosom of their country. (2)

May your Excellency live to see the just rights of America settled on a firm basis, publick felicity we sincerely wish you, and at a late period may that felicity be changed into happiness eternal. (3)

JOHN SCOLLAY,
TIMO. NEWELL,
THO. MARSHALL,
SAMUEL AUSTIN,
OLIVER WENDELL,
JOHN PITTS,
} Select-Men of BOSTON.

To his Excellency GEORGE WASHINGTON, Esq; (3)
General of the United Forces in America.

His Excellency's ANSWER. (3)

To the Select-men and Citizens of Boston.

GENTLEMEN,

YOUR congratulations on the success of the American arms, gives me the warmest pleasure.

I most sincerely rejoice with you and your brave once more in the quiet possession of your former habitations; and, what greatly adds to my happiness, that this desirable event has been effected with so little effusion of human blood.

I am exceedingly obliged by the good opinion you are pleased to entertain of my conduct. (3) Your virtuous efforts in the cause of freedom, and the unparalleled fortitude with which you have sustained the greatest of all human calamities, justly entitle you to the grateful remembrance of your American brethren; and I heartily pray that the hand of tyranny may never more disturb your repose; and that every blessing of kind Providence may give happiness and prosperity to the town of Boston. (2)

GEO. WASHINGTON. (3)

Thursday last the Lectures, which was established, and has been observed from the first settlement of Boston, without interruption, until within these few months past, was opened by the Rev. Dr. Elliot. His Excellency General Washington, the other General Officers and their suites, having been previously invited, met in the Council Chamber, from whence, preceded by the Sheriff with his Wand, attended by the Members of the Council who had had the Small-Pox, the Committee of the House of Representatives, the Selectmen, the Clergy, and many other Gentlemen, they repair'd to the Old Brick Meeting-House, where an excellent and well adapted Discourse was delivered from the 33 chap. Isaiah, 20 verse.

After Divine Service was ended, His Excellency, (3) attended and accompanied as before, returned to the Council Chamber, from whence they proceeded to the Bunch of Grapes Tavern, where an elegant Dinner was provided at the Public Expence; after which many very proper and pertinent Toasts were drank.

Joy and gratitude sat on every countenance, & smiled in every eye. The whole was conducted and concluded to the satisfaction of all.

The Sukey, a large Transport Ship, with 4 Tories at least on board, is ashore on George's Island, and 'tis said cannot be got off.

We hear the Baron De WOEDLKE, formerly a General Officer in the Prussian Service, and lately arrived in Philadelphia, is appointed a Brigadier-General in the Continental Service, and is to do duty in Canada. (1)

A favourite toast, in the best companies, is, "May the INDEPENDENT principles of COMMON SENSE be confirmed throughout the United Colonies." *See pa. 910.*

We hear that about 10 or 12 transport vessels, supposed to be from England, arrived, last Tuesday, in Nantasket road, where 4 or 5 of the enemy's ships of war remain. (1)

The Honourable Continental Congress have declared and resolved, That all ships and other vessels, and all goods, wares and merchandises, belonging to any inhabitants of Great-Britain, taken on the high seas, or between high and low water mark, shall be deemed and adjudged to be lawful prize. *See pa. 938*

The Resolves of Congress respecting the above, will be inserted in our next. Some further accounts from N. Carolina, new advertisements, &c. must also be deferred.

Last Tuesday died at Littleton, aged 78 years, Capt. EBENEZR SYMMES, of Boston. He has left a tender wife, and one daughter, an aged father and a great number of other near relatives to lament the loss of a kind husband, a tender father, a dutiful child and a very affectionate brother and sincere friend. He was a warm friend to his oppressed country, and consequently a determined opposer of the measures pursuing by it's present unnatural and cruel enemies, by whom he was drove from his habitation in the capital, (where he lived in affluent circumstances) to seek an asylum in the country. (2)

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to such of the Colonels of the Militia as have not yet received warrants for their pay, that upon their delivering at Watts, made out agreeable to general orders, to Major-General WARD, they will receive warrants for the same. *Cambridge, April 3d, 1776.*

NOTICE is hereby given to all persons who have any demands upon the QUARTER MASTER GENERAL, to bring in all their accounts, between the Date hereof and Tuesday next, to JOHN PARKE, Deputy-Quarter-Master-General, at Cambridge, that they may be all adjusted; and those who cannot produce proper vouchers, their accounts will not be allowed.
Head-Quarters, Cambridge, April 3, 1776.

To be sold, on Friday the 5th instant, in King-Street, Boston, sundry King's stores, boards, shingles, &c. also beans, potatoes, oatmeal, butter, empty bottles, carpenter's tools, flour and bran, &c. The sale will begin at 10 o'clock.
JONATHAN WILLIAMS, Agent for Q M G.
Boston, April 3, 1776.

Colony of MASSACHUSETTS-BAY, Plimouth, ss.

AT the court erected to try and condemn all vessels that shall be found infesting the sea coast of America, and brought into the counties of Plimouth, Barnstable, Bristol, Nantucket or Dukes-County, to be held at Plimouth, in the said county of Plimouth, on Friday the 19th day of April, 1776, at the hour of ten in the forenoon, will be tried the justice of the capture of a ship, burthen 250 tons, commanded by James Helmes, said to be improved in supplying or otherwise used in the service of the fleet and army employed against the United Colonies, and taken and brought into the county of Barnstable, is libelled in the court aforesaid; and a trial will be had thereon. And notice is hereby given, pursuant to the laws of the colony aforesaid, to all persons claiming property in said ship or cargo, or any ways concerned therein, that they may appear, and shew cause (if any they have) why the said ship with her cargo and appurtenances should not be condemned. N. CUSHING, Judge of said court.

To be sold by Doc. ZECHARIAH HARVEY, of Westminster, in the county of Worcester, the FARM he now lives on, which is situated in the middle of the town, near the Meeting-House, lies on the great road that leads from Boston to Deerfield, and is well situated for public business of any sort. Said farm has a large new House on it, almost finished, with five fire places. On the farm is a good young orchard of about 120 trees, two barns, and a shop suitable for a trader. The land all under good improvement, well fenced, and excellent land for mowing, and pasturage, well watered in every part; a good place for a corn-mill or fulling-mill. Said Harvey has also 400 acres of other lands in town to sell, very good and suitable for settlements, and will be sold in such parcels as will suit the purchaser. All which will be sold very cheap for cash or short credit. Any person inclining to purchase, by applying to said Harvey, will be well used in the affair.

DESERTED from the Continental Hospital, one JOEL PIRKINS, belonging to Captain Sayer's company in Col. Paterson's regiment; he is about five feet two inches high, light complexion, supposed to be gone to Wells. Whoever shall take up said deserter, and return him to his regiment, shall have FIVE DOLLARS reward and all reasonable charges paid by
SAMUEL STEVENS, Ensign.

IT is presumed that scarce a single reader of this Gazette need be informed of the great increase of the price of paper, the capital article of a Printer's stock. The consumption of that commodity, in a greater or less degree, is so universal, that almost every person must be convinced of its enhanced price from his own experience. Add to which, the extraordinary rise of many of the necessaries of life, and no one can think it unreasonable to pay a little more (or rather to make up the value of what was paid a year ago) for news-papers. The Philadelphia Evening-Post has been lately raised to two dollars per annum, owing to the increased price of paper in that place. The Printer hereof therefore begs leave to inform his readers, that the price of this paper, in future, will be Eight Shillings per Annum, exclusive of postage and stamp. The old price of 6s. 8d. will be continued till the year, half year, or any time for which each subscriber engaged, is expired; when those who are desirous of remaining customers at the price above-mentioned, are requested to signify the same.

The Printer hereof also informs his Customers and others, that next Tuesday or Wednesday he shall remove his Office into a building in School-street, next below Mr. Brasket's Tavern, in Boston; where he proposes to continue the publication of his paper, and to serve his customers in that, and other branches of Printing, as well as he is able. The PRINTER

N. B. The publication will be omitted next week, on account of removing the Office.

AS all the troops from Prospect and Winter Hills, have marched agreeable to General orders; This is to give notice that I want no more Wood brought in for that department, or any thing else in my way towards supplying the troops, &c.
JOHN G. FRAZER, A Q M G.

P. S. Whoever holds receipts for Wood, Boards, Lumber or Hay, &c. are desired to bring them in immediately to my office, between Prospect & Winter Hills, and receive payment. J. G. F.

Next week will be PUBLISHED, and to be SOLD, by T. and J. FLEET, and EDES and GILL, in BOSTON,
A New Edition of COMMON SENSE,
addressed to the inhabitants of America. With several additions in the body of the work: To which is added an Appendix, and an address to the representatives of the people called Quakers.
N. B. This edition contains upwards of one-third more than any former one. *See pa. 910.*

THIS is to give notice to all persons concerned in the property of a two-mast Boat and Appurtenances of about 15 tons, taken up adrift among the Combs, 10 days of the date hereof; that upon proving their property and paying salvage, may have their Boat and Appurtenances returned, by applying to the subscriber. JOSEPH BATE.
Cohasset, April 28, 1776.

TO be sold, a FARM lying in the West part of Methuen, containing 100 acres, with a good house and barn, and chiefly fenced with stone wall, is sufficient to keep 10 head of cattle, or other stock accordingly, well wooded and watered, with a good orchard, and three apartments of it sufficient to keep the stock. Inquire of Daniel McCleary, in Methuen.

TO be sold, a FARM lying in the West part of Methuen, containing 60 or 70 acres, with a good orchard and a good house and barn, will keep 7 head of cattle, other stock accordingly, a considerable part fenced with stone wall, and well watered. Said farm joins to Mr. Daniel McCleary's, advertised above. (5w)

JOHN CHURCH, News-Carrier, &c. Begs leave to inform his customers that the time of his engagement ends on the 25th day of April next, when he earnestly hopes for punctual payment at the usual places of receiving their papers. He likewise earnestly desires hereby to give public notice, that he proposes, on suitable encouragement, to ride weekly his usual road, for the term of six months next ensuing the said 25th day of April, and to supply each subscriber with one of the public news-papers. Dunbarton, March 26 1776.

DESERTED from Captain Edward Seagrave's company, in Col. Joseph Read's regiment, Charles White, a native of Ireland, and a noted rogue. Also, Benjamin Reis, who was in the Rhode-Island troops last year. Also John Antony, David Long and David Sear, all in the service the last campaign. Whoever will take up said deserters, or either of them, and bring them to their company and regiment shall have Three Dollars reward for each, and all necessary charges paid by me,
EDWARD SEAGRAVE, captain.

LEFT some time past at the house of Mr. Ralph Smith, bombolier, in Roxbury, a sorrel HORSE, with saddle and bridle, a white face, his near hind foot white, about 8 years old, 14 hands high. No person hath applied for his Horse. The owner, by proving his property and paying charges, may have his Horse. Apply at said Smith's.

I Have been for almost 2 years the wife of one John Clinton, who, in several late papers, has false-advertised the public, that I have denied his bed and abode; also has forbid all persons harbouring, entertaining, or trusting me on his account. What but an infuriated mind would prevail on him to conduct in such a manner, I do not know; for I never run him in debt one farthing since I have been his wife, neither has he ever purchased me (or the child which he has left me, the effects only, though unhappy mother of) one article of cloathing except 2 or 3 pair of shoes, since I have been his wife; nor have I ever denied his bed and abode, as he unjustly charges me; but have been chaste and faithful to him and his bed, in all respects, for the truth of the above declaration, I appeal to every individual, whatever for sake of the impartial public. Therefore I hereby call upon Mr. Clinton, in this public manner, to give reasons (if he has any) to the public, why he has so abusively treated ANNE CLINTON.
Danvers, March 13 1776.

In Committee, Taunton, March 8th 1776.

NATHANIEL BIRD, a shopkeeper in this town, being convicted this day for refusing paper currency in his payments; the committee resolved to publish him to the world, agreeable to the order of the Continent; but he soon after applied to the committee, desiring their pardon for his crime, and promising reformation for the future; they therefore have stopped all proceedings against him, and recommend him for the future to the good opinion of the continent, on his signing the following paper.

By order of the committee, James Williams, jun. clerk.

Whereas I the subscriber, a shopkeeper in this town, have been repeatedly guilty in refusing paper currency in pay for my goods; and as I find that my conduct in so doing has essentially interfered with the resolutions of the continent, and of the general court of this province; I therefore, in this humble and public manner, ask the forgiveness of my country, and promise ceremoniously for the future to abide by, and personally support the resolutions of the congress and general court of this province, so far as lays in my power. N. BIRD.

A true copy. Attest. JAMES WILLIAMS, jun. clerk.
Taunton, March 13th, 1776.

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LONDON, NOVEMBER 8.

The following is the copy of a letter from Mr. ETHAN ALLEN, the person who commanded the party of Provincials which were defeated near Montreal, and who was also taken prisoner, to General Prescott. On the General's ordering him into irons, and to be closely confined. See Index, under Canada.

"HONOURABLE SIR, *See pa. 937 925.*

"IN the wheel of transitory events I find myself prisoner, and in irons: Probably your Honor has certain reasons to me inconceivable, though I challenge an instance of this sort of oeconomy of the Americans during the war towards any officers of the Crown.

"On my part, I have to assure your Honor, that when I had the command and took Capt. Delaplace and Lieut. Felton, with the garrison of Ticonderoga, I treated them with every mark of friendship and generosity, the evidence of which is notorious even in Canada. I have only to add, that I expect an honorable and humane treatment as an officer of my rank and merit should have, and subscribe myself, your Honor's most obedient humble servant, *See Index, under Canada.* ETHAN ALLEN."

PHILADELPHIA, March 16.

A sea Captain, arrived in one of the last vessels from St. Pierre's, Martinico, says, that the French in that island speak highly in favour of the colonies, and several principal persons informed him, that they only waited for us to declare Independency, to attack the English islands, with their whole force, which is much greater than has ever yet been reported here. The letter from which the following extract was taken, was copied by the Captain himself, by permission of his merchant in St. Pierre's, by whose spirit we may form a tolerable guess what causes the hasty mission of commissioners to treat with us, backed with the whole force of the nation to expedite the negociation, viz. ——— *This Commission did not come*

"*Paris, Dec.* 26. Our young king has abolished the office of Farmers General in this kingdom, and has settled, that every province shall have its own assembly, composed of three estates, which will raise the taxes according to the sum each province shall contribute.

"The clergy, who have never been taxed, are now paying an imposition of the twentieth part of their revenue. The king has borrowed one hundred and twenty thousand pounds to supply the charges of the crown, till such time as matters are settled to his purpose.

"Louis the sixteenth has annulled the revocation of the edict of Nantes, issued by Louis the fourteenth against the protestants. These people have thereby obtained the free exercise of their religion, whence we hope that about five hundred thousand manufacturers, which persecution drove to Old England, will again return to their native country, especially as they cannot find employment at present in that island.

"Mons. De la Chatelois, imprisoned in the last reign for having represented the truth to Louis the fifteenth, has been restored to all his places and dignities by his present Majesty, and compensated by a pension of eight thousand pounds."

To be SOLD,

A Good farm in Fitchburg, containing about 110 acres, well wooded, with a proportion of tillage, pasturing, mowing, and a good orchard, with a dwelling-house and barn thereon; said farm is well watered, and about a quarter of a mile from the meeting-house, very pleasantly situated; said farm is under good improvement.

Also another farm in Winchendon, containing about 100 acres of good land, suitable for plowing, pasturing and mowing, with a house and barn thereon; and about 20 acres under improvement, said farm is well watered. For further particulars enquire of the widow DOROTHY KIMBALL, in Fitchburg.

Fitchburg, March 15, 17 6.

FRESH DRUGS and MEDICINES.

Just opened, a compleat assortment of the freshest DRUGS and MEDICINES, and to be sold by

JONATHAN WALDO,

at his apothecary's store, at the LYON and MORTAR King-street, SALEM; among which are, the most approved patentee medicines, pocket cases of surgeons instruments, lancets, &c.

N. B. The goodness of the above articles will prove a sufficient recommendation to those who please to purchase them. (t. f.

JUST IMPORTED from PHILADELPHIA, and to be SOLD

By WILLIAM VANS, of SALEM,

The following English GOODS, viz.

Broad cloths, serges, shalloons, tamies, grograms, cotton velvet, fagathy, fine quaskeent, black catgut, parlinet, black and white womens silk gloves and mitts, knee garters, twist and mohair, black quality, silk ferrets, taper, pins, darning needles, playing cards, mens and womens hose, black flower'd russel for shoes, a fine assortment of ribbons, worsted mitts and gloves, one piece of fine twisted beaver for surtouts, sprig'd and spotted gauzes, lawns, crooked combs, black silk cravats, black silk handkerchiefs, Irish linens.

ALSO,

Pepper, nutmegs, cloves, cinnamon, rosin, best velvit corks, new Philadelphia flour, nail rods, Philadelphia steel, chocolate and cocoa; also a few hogsheads of choice Grenada rum, choice French indigo, best Scotch snuff in pound bottles, whalebone, loaf sugar, &c. &c. Also a few quarter-casks of French brandy.

ALL persons indebted to, or that have any demands upon, the estate of Lieut. SAMUEL STONE, jun. late of Rutland, innholder, deceased, are desired to make speedy settlement with DANIEL CLAP, and DOROTHY STONE, executor, and executrix, to the last will and testament of the said deceased.

THE 2d Salem Edition of the celebrated Pamphlet, intitled, COMMON SENSE, is just published, and to be sold by EZEKIEL RUSSELL of that place. *See pa. 910.*

IT is requested of the Constables for the several towns in the county of Suffolk, to whom the copy of the Votes for a Register of Deeds and a Treasurer is committed, that they, with said votes, attend a Court of General Sessions of the Peace, to be held at Braintree on the third Tuesday of April next, that the choice may be declared.

March 16, 1776. JOHN HILL, Just. Peace.

To be sold at PUBLIC VENDUE, by the subscriber, on Tuesday the 9th of April, at two o'clock, P. M.

A LARGE dwelling-house and barn, and about 20 acres of land, in ANDOVER, south parish, within 40 rods of the meeting-house, on the great road from BOSTON to HAVERHILL. Said place is suitable for a gentleman's country seat, or a tradesman of whatever occupation.

The Vendue to be held at the house on the premises.

NATHANIEL ABBOT.

N. B. The money not wanted if good surety be given, yet it will not be refused.

To be SOLD,

TWO farms, lying in Lynn, North-parish, one containing 100 acres, with half an house and barn; the other containing about 40 acres, with an house and barn, finely situated within a quarter of a mile of the meeting-house.

Any that have a mind to purchase the same, may enquire of JOHN BRIANT, or JOSEPH GOWING, of said LYNN.

Lynn, March 20, 1776.

To be SOLD,

A likely NEGRO MAN, about 23 years of age, understands cooking, washing, and all other things necessary to be done in a family. Enquire of the printer.

STRAYED away from Joseph Wright, of Concord, last October, a mare COLT, two past, dark brown, with a small white spot on her forehead, and one on her nose. Whoever hath taken up said colt, and will give information, or publish it in the Cambridge paper, so that the owner may have her again, shall be handsomely rewarded, and all necessary charges paid by SAMUEL SOPER.

TAKEN up in Andover, 2 brown MARE, 13 hands high, about 10 years old, two white feet, and white nose. Whoever has lost such an one, may have her again by applying to THOMAS OSGOOD, of Andover, and paying charges.

DESERTED from Capt. Thomas Grant's company, in Col. John Glover's regiment, Elijah Burnam, but signed John Burnam, belonging to Danvers, about 23 years old, pitted with the small-pox; about five feet six inches high, somewhat slender. Whoever will take up said Burnam and convey him to said regiment, shall have FOUR DOLLARS reward, and necessary charges paid. THOMAS GRANT, Captain.

ALL persons having any demands on the estate of Capt. JOHN BRACKETT, late of Falmouth, deceased, are desired to bring in their accompts to widow MARY BRACKETT, administratrix to said estate, in order for settlement; and all persons indebted to said estate, are desired to make immediate payment.

N. B. Said widow MARY BRACKETT will attend said business on the first Tuesdays of the six next following months at her dwelling house in said Falmouth.

Deserted from my company, in Col. Prescot's regiment, the following persons, viz.—Zephaniah Lenord, about 5 feet 7 inches high, has a blemish in his left eye; deserted the latter end of December last ——— Peabody Stannard, deserted at the same time, 5 feet 8 inches high, wore his own hair, ——Mark Row, (which is the name he inlisted by, but is known by that of John Tarr) about 5 feet 10 inches high.——Benjamin Barney, deserted the 8th instant, about five feet 10 inches high, very much knock-knee'd, and has short black hair.

Any person or persons who will return either of said deserters to their regiment, shall receive five dollars reward for each of them, and all necessary charges paid by me.

SAMUEL PATCH, Capt.

Ran away from the subscriber, a boy of 15 years of age, named Daniel Wire, of a light complection; had on a gray coat and jacket, much worn; and had on a woolen shirt, a pair of sheep-skin breeches, blue stockings, and is about 5 feet high. Whoever takes up said boy, and delivers him to his master, shall have one dollar reward, and all charges paid by me,

Amherst, March 21, 1776. BENJAMIN HOPKINS.

Camp at Roxbury, March 25, 1776.

Deserted from Capt. Scott's company, Col. Wyllys's regiment, about the 20th instant, Oyon M'Work, of Pittsfield, Massachusetts-Bay, about 30 years of age, 5 feet and 5 or 6 inches in height, much pox-broken. Whoever will take up said deserter and return him to Camp, or give information so that he may be brought to punishment, shall receive three dollars reward, and all necessary charges paid by

EZEKIEL SCOTT, Capt.

All persons having demands on the estate of JOSEPH MAYO, late of Roxbury, Esq. deceased, are desired to carry their accounts to JOSEPH MAYO, of Warwick, administrator to said estate, or to Deacon DAVID WELD, of Roxbury, attorney to the executor of said estate, for adjustment:—And those that are indebted to said estate are desired to make payment to the administrator or to the said attorney.

The FARM lately occupied by the deceased, to be let, containing between eighty and ninety acres of good pasturing, mowing and plow land, with orcharding and salt marsh. There are on said farm one large house, exceeding pleasantly situated, and one small ditto, with a good barn and other out-houses.——Said farm is about 6 miles and three quarters from Boston town-house, on Dedham road, and about three quarters of a mile from the meeting-house.

SIX DOLLARS Reward.

LOST, the 18th instant, between the subscriber's quarters, at Mr. Isman's house, and Judge Trowbridge's in Cambridge, a greenish Morocco pocket-book, with several continental and provincial bills, amounting to between eight & twelve dollars, with a number of notes and other papers. Whoever finds the same, & will return it to the subscriber or printer, shall have six dollars or the whole sum contained in said book.

PAUL DUDLEY SARGENT.

To be sold by public vendue, at the house of Mr. Whoart, the sign of the Blue Anchor, in Cambridge, on Thursday the 4th day of April next, sundry household furniture, belonging to the estate of Richard Foster, Esq; late of Charlestown, deceased, consisting of feather beds and bedding, tables, looking-glasses, and a number of other articles, too many to be enumerated.——The sale to begin at 9 o'clock before noon.

Run away from Israel Cook, jun. the 25th ult. an apprentice lad, named Joseph Hubbert. Whoever will take up said runaway, and return him to his master, shall have nine pence reward for their trouble. Malden, Feb. 3, 1776.

THESE may inform whom it may concern, that I Robert Hosea, of AMHERST, in the county of Hillsborough, formerly of Plymouth in the county of Plymouth, mariner, do revoke, disannul and make void all power or powers of attorney heretofore given by me, and do forbid any person or persons whatsoever from any trade or traffick, or payment, or exchange, whatsoever, for or against me, with any person or persons whatsoever, on my account, or risque, or charge, or damage to me, as well in North-Carolina as in any other place.

Colony of the Massachusetts Bay, PLIMOUTH, ss.

AT a Court ordered to try and condemn all vessels that shall be found infulling the sea coast of America, and brought into the counties of *Plimouth, Barnstable, Bristol, Nantucket* or *Dukes-County*, to be held at *Plimouth*, in the said county of *Plimouth*, on Monday the 15th day of *April*, 1776, at the hour of ten in the forenoon, will be tried the justice of the capture of the following vessels, viz. of a Sloop called the POLLY, burthen about seventy five tons, commanded by *Sibelins White*: Of a Schooner called the INDUSTRY, burthen about eighty-five tons, commanded by *Charles Cossin*: Of a small fishing Schooner, burthen about fifteen tons, commanded by one *Dowsey*: Of a Ship called the HAPPY RETURN, burthen about one hundred and thirty tons, commanded by *James Hall*: Of a Ship called the NORFOLK, burthen about one hundred and twenty tons, commanded by *Jonathan Grendal*: Of a Sloop called the DOLPHIN, burthen about eighty tons, commanded by *Lot Norton*: Of a Brigantine called the ST. LAWRANCE, burthen about one hundred and sixty-five tons, commanded by *James Cossin*: Of a Sloop called the SALLY, burthen about seventy tons, commanded by *George Middletown*: Of a Sloop called the LIVELY-LOCUS, burthen about thirty tons, commanded by one *Wayman*: Of a Sloop called the BRITANNIA, burthen about eighty tons, commanded by *Joseph Hall*: Of a Sloop called the BETSEY, burthen about one hundred and fifteen tons, commanded by *William Heath*: And of a Ship called the HARRIET, burthen about two hundred and forty tons, commanded by *Wemys Forrest*.——All which vessels, said to be imployed in supplying the Fleet and Army imployed against the UNITED COLONIES, and taken and brought into the counties of *Plimouth, Barnstable* and *Bristol* aforesaid, together with their cargoes and appurtenances, are libelled in the Court aforesaid; and trials will be had thereon, from day to day, until the whole are tried: And notice is hereby given, pursuant to the laws of the Colony aforesaid, to all persons claiming property in any of the aforesaid vessels or cargoes, or any ways concerned therein, that they may appear and shew cause (if any they have) why the said vessels, or any of them, with their cargoes and appurtenances, should not be condemned.

NATHAN CUSHING, *Judge of said Court.*

Colony of the Massachusetts Bay. NOTICE is hereby given, that the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace, for the County of Worcester, which were to be holden at Worcester, in the County aforesaid, on the last *Tuesday of March*, are by a Resolve of the Great and General Court of this Colony, adjourned to the second *Tuesday of June* next, the time by law next appointed for holding said Courts at Worcester aforesaid. PEREZ MORTON, *Dep. Sec'ry.*

March 16th, 1776.

SIXTEEN DOLLARS REWARD.

Lost between *Faneuil-Hall Market* in *Boston*, and *Cambridge Meeting-House*, a BLACK LEATHER POCKET-BOOK, containing a number of Continental and Massachusetts Bills, the owners name and place of residence therein written. Whoever has found the same, and will return it, shall have the above reward.

VIRGINIA TOBACCO.

A few hogsheads of very best Virginia Tobacco to be sold by

Jacob Ashton, at Salem.

Taken up in Wells, in the county of Hampshire, about the beginning of Feb. last, a Letter, on which there was no superscription that could be read; the writing in every pale, so that the subscriber's name cannot be read, but the first name begins with the letter B. In said letter was inclosed six lawful money, supposed to be sent by some person belonging to the army, as the letter was dated in Cambridge, the last of Jan. 1776. If the person who has sent such a letter will apply to Osgood Carleton, quarter-master of Col. Sergeant's regiment, now at Isman's house in Cambridge, and describe the bills, he may have them by paying for this advertisement.

To be SOLD,

A few hogsheads of choice West-India Rum, and a quantity of English Loaf Sugar. Inquire of the Printer.

All persons who have any demands on the estate of JONATHAN SERGEANT, or the estate of PHINEAS SERGEANT, late of Leicester, innholder, deceased, are desired to bring them in to JONATHAN SERGEANT, jun. administrator to the estate of said deceased, in order to a settlement: And those who are indebted to said estates are required to make speedy payment. JENA. SARGENT, administrator.

Leicester, 6th March, 1776.

Ran away, last Saturday evening, a Negro woman, named Hall, about 24 years of age, of a large size; carried off with her four gowns, viz. one brown homespun, one homespun linen, one black and yellow stuff, and a red and white calico; also a light blue quilted coat, red cloak, blue ridinghood, four yards of yellow tammy, and a black bonnet. Whoever shall take up said runaway, and bring her to her master, shall have all necessary charges paid by me the subscriber.

Woburn, Mar. 4, 1776. TIMOTHY WINN.

To be sold at private sale, on or before the first of April next, all the household furniture of ETHAN WEATHERBEE, innholder, consisting of chairs, tables, beds and bedding, pewter, &c. likewise a cow, a second-hand chaise and harness compleat, two swine, one good horse, either fit for chaise or saddle. Said Weatherbee's going off into the country is the reason of his disposing of said articles, which will be sold cheap. Menotomy, Feb. 28, 1776.

All persons any ways indebted to, or that have any demands on the estate of Deacon JOHN CUTTER, late of Cambridge, deceased, are hereby desired to settle the same with JOHN CUTTER, administrator of said estate.

Cambridge, March 21, 1776.

Taken up by Samuel Draper, of Newton, a chestnut-coloured mare, about 13 hands high, with a star in her forehead, a white saddle spot on her near side, and two white spots on her near side below the saddle. If the proper owner will appear, & pay all necessary charges, he may have her again.

ALL Persons indebted to, or that have any demands on the estate of Francis Brown, late of Danvers, housebuilder, deceased, are desired to bring in their accompts to Samuel Brown, of Newbury, administrator to said estate, in order for settlement. Attendance will be given at the house of the deceased, the first Tuesday and Wednesday in each month.

Newbury, Feb. 14, 1776. SAMUEL BROWN, Adm'r.

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